

SENATE STAFF ANALYSIS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

BILL: SB 766
 SPONSOR: Senator Clary
 SUBJECT: Agricultural Emergency Eradication Trust Fund
 DATE: February 6, 2004 REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	<u>Blizzard</u>	<u>Hayes</u>	<u>AGG</u>	<u>Favorable</u>
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I. Summary:

This legislation re-creates the Agricultural Emergency Eradication Trust Fund without modification. The Agricultural Emergency Eradication Trust Fund, FLAIR #42-2-360, is administered by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. This fund was last re-created effective November 4, 2000, by Chapter 99-71, Laws of Florida.

II. Present Situation:

This trust fund was created pursuant to s. 570.191, F.S., to provide funding should the Commissioner of Agriculture certify an agricultural emergency exists and funds specifically appropriated for the emergency’s purpose are exhausted or insufficient to eliminate the agricultural emergency. Sections 570.1912 and 206.609(1), F.S., provide revenue sources for the trust fund. The sources of revenue are from a designated percentage of the motor fuel tax and from the General Revenue Fund. According to LAS/PBS data, receipts to this fund for FY 2002-2003 were \$8.1 million.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

This bill re-creates the trust fund without modification.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

D. Other Constitutional Issues:**V. Economic Impact and Fiscal Note:****A. Tax/Fee Issues:**

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

This legislation has no fiscal impact on state agencies or state funds, on local governments as a whole or on the private sector. It simply re-creates, without modification, an existing state trust fund and continues the current use of the fund.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Amendments:

None.